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somebody else. And if these immediate, serious health concerns weren't a part of the issue I would agree with Senator Chambers that...or, excuse me, Senator Kristensen, I apologize, that (laughter)...that this was perhaps too broad, probably an expansion of what the original intent of the bill was. However, the other day when we debated this we had an extensive debate. That issue was not raised and the amendment was adopted, and I think that we should just maintain the status quo of what we did the other day and establish in this state that the policy is that people who hold themselves out as doctors should be held to the same standard of care as doctors. And, again, I reiterate I would...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR BOURNE: ...urge your rejection of Senator Kristensen amendment today and just continue on with the amendment of his that we adopted last week. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Bourne and Senator Kristensen. Senator Hilgert, on AMO510 to LB 270. Senator Hilgert.

SENATOR HILGERT: Thank you, Mr. President, members. just...Senator Kristensen summed everything up very, very well. I do think it broadens the scope of this bill by huge amounts I would encourage the body to adopt the Kristensen amendment, although I'm sensitive to Senator Bourne's concerns. I am not aware of a bill that would...that was introduced by any this year, this session, making the chiropractors accountable to the same level as doctors. Maybe that would be a source for future legislation. But I do think it's a broad expansion and you are making progress adopting the...the Kristensen amendment and that is beyond the status quo of the law today. Understand it's changing the status quo of the bill for the last seven days, but this is progress for those of you who believe in that. And if the Kristensen amendment is not adopted I believe it does imperil the ... the bill's chances to advance. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Hilgert. Senator Hudkins,